

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention provides a layout system suitable to reduce or prevent layout frames from being left blank and to adjust the layout in accordance with the contents or properties of article information. A content distribution terminal determines whether there is a layout frame and article information having added thereto identical identification information by comparing the identification information added to the article information with that added to the layout frame. The content distribution terminal, when it is determined that there is a layout frame and article information having added thereto identical identification information, stores the article information in the layout frame. The content distribution terminal, when it is determined that there is no layout frame and article information having added thereto the identical identification information, stores the article information in the layout frame on the basis of arrangement control information added to the layout frame and the article information.